GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has deployed Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) for mapping of the dense forests in the Naxalites affected States;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the extent to which the use of UAV has helped the States in combating the Naxalites?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a)to(c) : UAVs have been deployed in Chhattisgarh on a trial basis for corroborating ground level reports on the movement of naxal cadres, wherever possible.This is part of the Government's strategy to deal with the naxal problem which amongst other things includes socio-economic development, better policing with hi-tech gadgets etc.